

# **City of Annapolis**

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# **Maritime Advisory Board**

June 18, 2013

The Maritime Advisory Board (MAB) of the City of Annapolis held its regular meeting on June 18, 2013 at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center. **Vice Chair** Buchheister called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m.

Present: Chair Lomax, Vice Chair Buchheister, Franke, Pettingil, Outtrim, Fegley, Allan,

Woodward

**Absent:** Hood, Gosselin

**Staff:** Walters-Harbormaster, Brookes-Assistant Harbormaster, Biba-Board Liaison

#### II. April 16 and May 21, 2013 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Fegley moved approval of the April 16 and May 21, 2013 meeting minutes as written. Mr. Allan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 8-0.

#### **III.** REGULAR/OLD BUSINESS:

#### A. City Dock Master Plan Legislation – Planning Commission May 16, 2013 Deliberation

# a. Zoning

Chair Lomax noted that the Planning Commission deliberated on the City Dock Master Plan legislation and unanimously approved it so the legislation is now before City Council. Vice Chair Buchheister received a visit from the Mayor regarding clarification of the Board's position on regarding the comprehensive review of the maritime zoning. He reiterated to the Mayor the Board's position that the Board does not support the rezoning and that the issue was raised resulting from the Fawcett's application.

#### b. Fawcett's Use

Chair Lomax noted that there is a contract with Fawcett's that is contingent upon the zoning and would allow them to go up to two stories based on that approval by the City Dock Master Plan. He noted that he proposed buyer is waiting to see what the City does to act on the zoning. He expressed concern to the Mayor that the waterfront area is open to the public despite the Fawcett's ownership and the Mayor assured him that this was also his goal. There needs to be a mechanism to allow that a portion of the property remains open to public access. Mr. Walters added that the City has a one-year renewal lease agreement on the dock with Fawcetts.

#### B. Maritime Zoning Review – Cohen Meeting/Arason Call

Chair Lomax also met with the Mayor and restated the Board's position on the zoning review providing him with copies of the two legislative referrals, letter to Mr. Jon Arason and formal comments to Dr. Sally Nash on the comprehensive plan. He noted that the Mayor agreed to send a formal letter to the Board advising them that the City will undertake the comprehensive review that the Board has been requesting for the past three years. He informed the Mayor that funding to undertake this review is not available and provided him with some suggested consultants. He has not heard anything else to date. He noted that AEDC will be doing an economic study and is hoping to retain Joe Cater to work with the results of the survey to update his economic analyses.

He noted that Mr. Arason has placed \$20,000 in P&Z budget to undertake this effort. He suggested that Ms. Eileen Fogarty take on the task of comprehensively reviewing the maritime zoning.

#### C. Michelle LeFurge/City Dock Events – Attend MAB Meeting

Chair Lomax reported that Ms. Gosselin is attending the City Dock events meeting. He and Mr. Walters met with Ms. LeFurge on June 3, 2013 regarding Tri Roc events. He noted that the way the process works is when an application is received then Ms. LeFurge distributes it to a list of people for review and noted that the list does not include many maritime industry people. He sent her a list of people that should be included on the list. If there are others to add to the list, please let Chair Lomax know.

#### D. AEDC Economy Survey

**Chair** Lomax noted that the results are not out but the data has been collected. AEDC is hoping to work with Joe Cater to help with analyzing the data.

#### IV. NEW BUSINESS:

# A. Aldermen Invites to July Meeting – Budge, Littman, Pfeiffer, Arnett

**Chair** Lomax noted that the Board discussed inviting Aldermen Budge, Littman, Pfeiffer, and Arnett to July meeting. He suggested that the Board change its July meeting to July 30, 2013 instead of July 16, 2013. The Board was amenable to the meeting change.

Mr. Walters stated that there would be a commercial use permit fee for the boat ramp at Truxtun Park beginning July 1, 2013. There is a credit card machine at the ramp but Friday, Saturday and Sunday there will be Harbormaster staff to accept the cash. There will be a drop box slot in the field office doors to accept fine payments.

# V. DEFERRED MATTERS:

- **A.** Special Tax Districts
- **B.** Committee Assignments

# <u>VI</u> <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The next meeting is Tuesday, July 30, 2013 at the Pip Moyer Recreation Center.

With there being no further business, Mr. Fegley moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:24pm. Mr. Allan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously in a vote of 8-0.

Tami Hook, Recorder